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I hereby certify that the instant "Response to Restriction Requirement" is being deposited on the date set forth below with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail in a postageprepaid envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC, 20231.

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Response to Restriction Requirement

Dear Examiner Yamnitzky:

In response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application, mailed March 13, 2001, the Applicants make herein the elections of Species requested by the Examiner. First, with respect to claims 1-70, the Applicants respectfully elect the Species wherein X represents -OH; Y represents O; and Z represents optionally substituted aryl.

The Applicants further elect the Species wherein the coating is a liquid.

The claims readable on this election are 1-66 and 70.

The Applicants identify the compound zosteric acid as the ultimate Species of the compound of general structure 1, consonant with the elected Species and to be used as the Пне struc.

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2 1 2007 starting point for search and examination purposes. The structure of zosteric acid is shown below:

Of course, the elections of Species made herein are made solely for search purposes. The Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute species not elected herein in other patent applications claiming the benefit of the filing date of this application. Furthermore, the Applicants understand that upon allowance of a generic claim, they will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim. See 37 CFR 1.141.

The Applicants believe that all fees due in connection with the filing of this Response are included herewith. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit to our Deposit Account, No. 06-1448, any additional fees due or overpayment thereof, respectively, in connection with the filing of this Response.

> Respectfully submitted, Foley, Hoag & Eliot LLP

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